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## **PATENT**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Timmermans et al.

**Serial No.:** 10/700,380

Filed: November 3, 2003

**For:** METHOD FOR QUANTIFYING A RATIO BETWEEN AT LEAST TWO NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRCTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Communication mailed January 24, 2006, applicants elect Group I (having claims 1 through 34) without traverse.

The application should now be in condition for examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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